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Applicant: Tuyu Xie et al.  
Title: METHOD OF HEATING UP A SOLID POLYMER ELECTROLYTE FUEL  
CELL SYSTEM  
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Dear Sir:

## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

The applicant requests that the time for taking action in this case be extended pursuant to 37 CFR §1.135(a) for:

☒ one month ☐ three months  
☐ two months ☐ four months

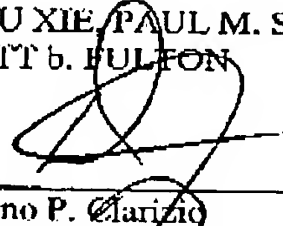
The fee set in 37 CFR §1.17 for the extension of time is \$110.00.

- (X) Fee of \$110.00 is to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 500663. A duplicate of this paper is enclosed.
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Also enclosed is a:

☒ Response ☐ Notice of Appeal ☐ Appeal Brief  
☐ Other:

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